

S-452
Emanuel Turpin House
Upper Hill
Private

c. 1910

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HISTORIC CONTEXT INFORMATION

Resource Name: EMANUEL TURPIN

MHT Inventory Number: S-452

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA:

- 1) Historic Period Theme(s): ARCHITECTURE
- 2) Geographic Orientation: EASTERN SHORE
- 3) Chronological/Development Period(s):
INDUSTRIAL/URBAN DOMINANCE
1870-1930
- 4) Resource Type(s):
Single-family dwelling

Maryland Historical Trust
State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. S-452

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic EMANUEL TURPIN HOUSE

and/or common TUESONT TURPIN HOUSE

2. Location

street & number End of Jim Moore Road

☐ not for publication

city, town Upper Hill

☐ vicinity of

congressional district First

state Maryland

county Somerset

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
			<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Tuesont Turpin House

street & number P. O. Box 281

telephone no.:

city, town Upper Fairmount

state and zip code MD 21867

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Somerset County Clerk of Court liber 224

street & number Somerset County Courthouse

folio 194

city, town Princess Anne

state MD 21853

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records

city, town

state

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Tuesont L. Turpin house, historically labeled the Emanuel Turpin house, is located at the west end of Jim Moore Road in the black community of Upper Hill, Somerset County, Maryland. The two-and-a-half story, three-bay frame house faces north with the principal gable roof oriented on a north/south axis.

Built around 1900-1910, the two-story, three-bay cross gabled frame dwelling is supported by a low brick pier foundation, and the exterior is clad with asbestos shingles. The steeply pitched cross gable roof is covered with asphalt shingles. Extending to the rear is a two-story, one-room plan kitchen wing.

The north (main) facade of this two-and-a-half story center hall frame house is covered on the first floor by a partially enclosed shed roof front porch. Two-over-two sash windows flank a center entrance. The second floor is lighted by three evenly spaced two-over-two sash windows, and the cross gable is pierced by a pointed arch attic light. The house is served by interior single-flue brick chimneys which flank the center hall.

The east and west gable ends are largely alike with single two-over-two sash windows centered on each floor and a single pointed arch window lights the attic. The gable ends are finished with extended eaves.

The south side of the single-pile main block is partially covered by a two-story, one-room plan kitchen wing service served by an interior end stove chimney. The first and second floors are lighted by two-over-two sash windows.

The interior is finished with late nineteenth century woodwork. A turned baluster stair railing, anchored by large turned newel posts, rises against the west wall of the center passage. Plain surrounds frame four-panel doors. The east room is fitted with a plain late nineteenth century mantel featuring narrow plain pilasters and a plain frieze that support a board mantel shelf. The rest of the interior was not seen.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates	Builder/Architect
check: Applicable Criteria: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D	
and/or	
Applicable Exception: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> G	
Level of Significance: <input type="checkbox"/> national <input type="checkbox"/> state <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> local	

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

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state	code	county	code
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11. Form Prepared By

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organization Private Consultant date 6/5/1995

street & number P. O. Box 5 telephone 410-651-1094

city or town Westover state MD 21871

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Emanuel Turpin House
Upper Hill, Somerset County, Maryland
Chain of title

724/194 Lizzie Turpin

to

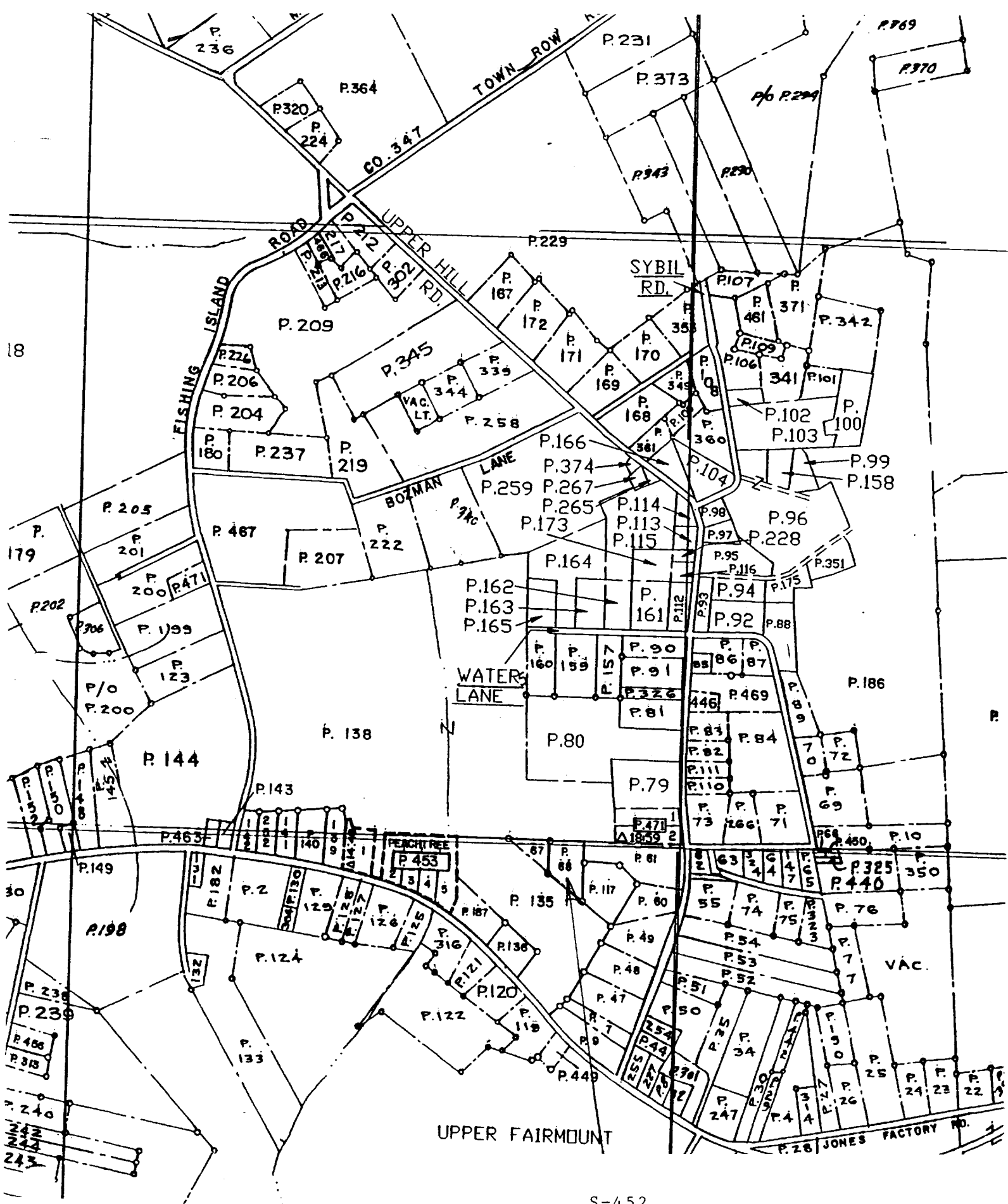
10/12/1964 Tuesontl Turpin, New York City

SFD 62/558 George A. Cox
Susie E. Cox

to

10/10/1912 Emanuel Turpin
\$105.00 "Upper Hill" 1 acre

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Emanuel Turpin House

Jim Moore Road

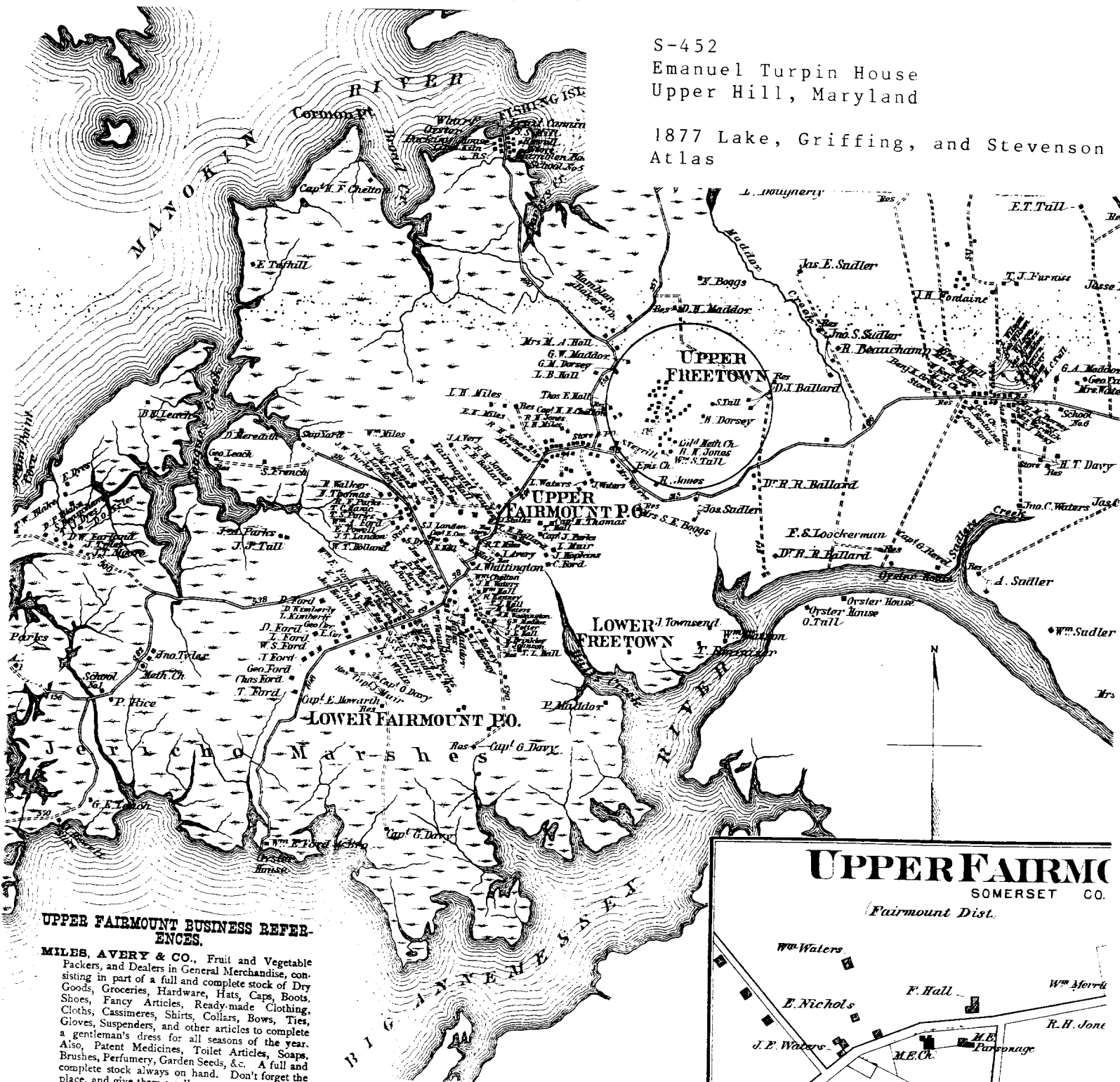
Upper Hill, Somerset Co., Maryland

Somerset County Tax Map 39

Parcel 68

Emanuel Turpin House
Upper Hill, Maryland

1877 Lake, Griffing, and Stevenson
Atlas



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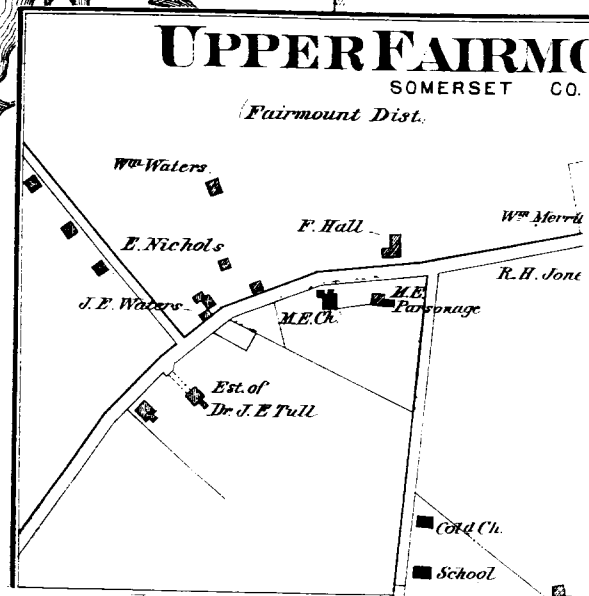
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Emanuel Turpin House
Upper Hill, MarylandMarion, Maryland Quadrangle
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EMANUEL TURPIN House

UPPER Hill, Somerset County, MD.

EAST ELEVATION

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